Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District

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<u>Permits required for equipment with the potential of</u> emitting air contaminants



The purpose of this advisory is to inform the cities, towns, counties and special districts within the jurisdiction of the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD) of requirements pertaining to permitting.

Permits are required for all businesses that operate equipment requiring a permit under MDAQMD Rules or other Regulation. Examples of equipment requiring a permit are generators, aggregate equipment, HEPA Vacs and Negative Air Machines. In some cases, a State issued permit may be accepted in lieu of a District permit. **Permits are required regardless of the duration the business will be on-site.** (For example a permit is required for a portable generator at a circus.)

For new or relocating business, MDAQMD requires that a District Certificate of Occupancy / Building Permit form is completed. Before approving a Certificate of Occupancy / Building Permit, MDAQMD reviews the businesses operations to ensure that District permits are not required. If a new, relocating *or* existing business is conducting any renovation or demolition work a checklist and/or Notification of Demolition / Renovation form is required.

For businesses operating within MDAQMD jurisdiction for a period of three months or less a temporary permit may be obtained. Businesses installing or operating equipment without a permit may be subject to legal action and penalties of up to \$25,000 for each day of violation.

MDAQMD forms can be found on our website at: www.mdaqmd.ca.gov. If you have any questions regarding permitting, please contact Alan DeSalvio at 760-245-1661 extension 6726, or via email at adesalvio@mdaqmd.ca.gov.